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This contribution is expected to furnish a comprehensive view of what has been accomplished with reference to the ornithology of Nebraska up to the present time and to provide a starting point for a critical study of the birds of the state. It is planned to treat the subject under the following heads:

I. A bibliography, arranged alphabetically.

II. A review of the past changes in the boundaries of Nebraska and a description of the various government survey parties that have traversed the state, together with, so far as may be possible, an identification of all localities quoted by the early authorities.

III. A review of Nebraska ornithology, chronologically arranged.

IV. A critical enumeration of all existing Nebraska records, in systematic order.

In the collection of titles it has been decided to omit all reference to those coming under the following heads: reviews; articles by Nebraska ornithologists not referring specifically to Nebraska; articles containing only direct quotations; general works, such as Coues' Key and Ridgway's Manual, containing references in general terms, as "west to Nebraska, Kansas, etc."; articles in sporting journals, except the Forest and Stream, and articles in this which were without scientific value; newspapers; purely popular magazine articles. And yet it is recognized that in sporting journals, in magazines, and in a few newspapers there are data of real value, which the writer hopes some day to collect. All "bird-magazines" of distinctly amateur character were neglected, but in case any such periodical was found to contain material of value, no attempt was made to draw a line between various articles in it, but all were included.

It has been impossible for the author to secure access to everything in which he might find desired references and it is therefore probable that omissions occur in this bibliography. In case the reader should discover any such, information of the same will be gratefully received.

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